Books for the World A Rotary Club of Newlands Project

A lot of Rotarians already know about the Newlands Rotary Club **Books for the World** project so this is more for the new organisations we are contacting. Rotary Clubs in the USA, Canada and South Africa have teamed up to distribute free literacy, maths, science and other school books, including library books, to local schools and educational facilities. The books are sent to us in containers containing up to 25 thousand books at a time from schools and libraries in the USA and Canada and cover pre-school, junior and senior school levels as well as adult literature and are suitable for both teaching at all school levels and for setting up much needed school and community libraries.

These books are then donated absolutely free of charge to any organisation, formal and informal, involved

in education, literacy programmes or the creation of libraries etc. but are not for resale. A lot of Rotarians already know about the Newlands Rotary Club Books for the World project so this is more for the new organisations we are contacting.

The website for more information is www.rotarybookfortheworld.org

It's raining books, hallelujah! By Tinus de Jong

We have so far received about 200 thousand books since the

beginning of last year of which about 160 thousand have been distributed to date and are currently bringing in about 25 thousand books a month. We are sorting out our latest container and have another waiting in storage in Bellville to be sorted as soon as we are finished with the current one. All that you have to do to benefit from this programme is go to the depot at the Leap School in Pinelands at the times given below and select as many books as you feel will benefit your school. The more you are able to use this facility and the more books you take so we in turn can bring in more container loads.

We always have extremely good high school books but are sometimes short of pre-primary and primary school books so if these are what you are looking for **please call Francoise (073-731-7056)** to confirm what she has available. If you are a country school and can arrange transport from the depot to your town you can also call Francoise and she can see if she can make up some boxes of books for you. The depot with books is located at the Leap School in Pinelands near to Old Mutual (see directions below) and is operated on a voluntary basis and is open at the following times: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm).

Please note that the facility is closed during school holidays. We do have some boxes for packing but sometimes they are in short supply so please bring your own if you have any. If you know of any other institutions that may be interested in our books please pass on the message.

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